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In re Application of:)
Tooru KAMIBAYASHI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2137
Application No.: 09/593,864) Examiner: Tremayne M. NORRIS
Filed: June 15, 2000) Confirmation No.: 9097
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed June 17, 2004, the period for response to which extends through September 17, 2004, Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination and amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheet. The amendments are discussed in this paper and are also illustrated in the attached annotated drawing sheet.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper, beginning on page 10.

Attachments to this amendment include Replacement Figs. 21 and 22, and annotated Figs. 21 and 22.